

# Biblically responding to pro-abortion challenges

## First thoughts:

**Hearts must change before society changes.**

Henry Van Til once observed that  
"culture is religion externalized."

Woodrow Kroll (Back to the Bible) has stated that ' In  
the course of human history,  
no change in society has been made without the life  
change produced by the gospel.'

## **Honesty**

"The integrity of the upright guides them, but the unfaithful are destroyed by their duplicity." Proverbs 11:3

"Keep your behavior excellent among the Gentiles, so that in the thing in which they slander you as evildoers, they may because of your good deeds, as they observe them, glorify God in the day of visitation." I Peter 2:12

" Now we pray to God that you do no wrong; not that we ourselves may appear approved, but that you may do what is right, even though we may appear unapproved." 2 Corinthians 13:7 (prayer)

"Moreover, they did not require an accounting from the men into whose hand they gave the money to pay to those who did the work, for they dealt faithfully." 2 Kings 12:15 (the issue isn't money, but if it were)

## **Good witness – bearing testimony to someone or something**

“Do not fret because of evil men or be envious of those who do wrong; for like the grass they will soon wither, like green plants they will soon die away. Trust in the LORD and do good; dwell in the land and enjoy safe pasture. Delight yourself in the LORD and he will give you the desires of your heart. Commit your way to the LORD; trust in him and he will do this: He will make your righteousness shine like the dawn, the justice of your cause like the noonday sun.” Ps. 37:1-6

“Beloved, follow not that which is evil, but that which is good. He that doeth good is of God: but he that doeth evil hath not seen God.”  
3 John 11

## **Suffering**

For this finds favor, if for the sake of conscience toward God a person bears up under sorrows when suffering unjustly.

For what credit is there if, when you sin and are harshly treated, you endure it with patience ? But if when you do what is right and suffer for it you patiently endure it, this finds favor with God.

For you have been called for this purpose, since Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example for you to follow in His steps,

WHO COMMITTED NO SIN, NOR WAS ANY DECEIT FOUND IN HIS MOUTH;

and while being reviled, He did not revile in return; while suffering, He uttered no threats, but kept entrusting Himself to Him who judges righteously;

I Peter 2:19-23 – do what is right.  
Flee from borderline living or close to the edge honesty.

## **Integrity (Moral uprightness)**

Examples:

~~See~~ Daniel - Then these men said, "We will not find any ground of accusation against this Daniel unless we find it against him with regard to the law of his God." Dan. 6:5

Paul "but we have renounced the things hidden because of shame, not walking in craftiness or adulterating the word of God, but by the manifestation of truth commending ourselves to every man's conscience in the sight of God." 2 Cor. 4:2

Integrity is defined as the "courage to be moral:  
(see Who You Are When No One's Looking by Bill Hybels)

**Presenting Christ is the number one goal, not  
eradicating abortion**

**I Peter 3:13-18**

Who is there to harm you if you prove zealous  
or what is good ?

But even if you should suffer for the sake of righteousness, you  
are blessed. AND DO NOT FEAR THEIR INTIMIDATION, AND  
DO NOT BE TROUBLED,

but sanctify Christ as Lord in your hearts, always being ready to  
make a defense to everyone who asks you to give an account  
for the hope that is in you, yet with gentleness and reverence;

and keep a good conscience so that in the thing in which you  
are slandered, those who revile your good behavior in Christ  
will be put to shame .

For it is better, if God should will it so, that you suffer for doing  
what is right rather than for doing what is wrong.

For [Christ also died](#) for [sins once](#) for [all](#), the [just](#) for the [unjust](#), [so](#) that He might [bring](#) us to [God](#), having been [put](#) to [death](#) in the [flesh](#), but [made alive](#) in the [spirit](#);

**Final thoughts: Actions speak louder than words:**  
**Thomas Aquinas – ‘Preach the gospel.. sometimes use words’**

For further reading: see the pamphlet:  
“Serving Clients with Care and Integrity” (available upon request)

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